Docket No.: 050395-0369 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Kohei SHIMODA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4687

Application No.: 10/575,898 : Group Art Unit: 1793

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For: GRANULAR METAL POWDER

REQUEST FOR COMPLETE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

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Sir

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated November 30, 2009.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received **complete** acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed on April 14, 2006. Specifically, on the PTO-1449 form, Japanese Office Action corresponding to Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-354459 was not initialed by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed November 15, 2007.

Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 Form and the Postcard Receipt. Also, enclosed is a copy of the PTO-1449 Form which was not initialed by the Examiner.

Applicant hereby respectfully requests that:

- (1) the completely acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicant; and
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the application and no certification or fee is required.

A copy of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

Please note this is a PCT application in the entry of the National Phase in the U.S. and copies of the references cited were transmitted by WIPO and are believed to be in the file of the above identified application and readily available to the Examiner. Therefore it is

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believed that Applicants have met all requirements regarding duty of disclosure under 37

CFR 1.56. Acknowledgement and consideration of these documents are respectfully

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providing copies of these references herewith. Since the Search Report was from the JPO

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the trilateral agreement and are believed to be in the file of the above identified application

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References JP 7-232965 A, JP 11-310804 A and JP 2002-256308 A were cited in a

corresponding foreign application office action and their relevance is discussed therein. A

copy of the office action, together with an English language version thereof, is attached for

the Examiner's information.

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